

May 16, 2022

To the Members of the General Assembly

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On May 16, 2022, the Honorable Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr., Governor; the Honorable Bill Ferguson, President of the Senate; and the Honorable Adrienne A. Jones, Speaker of the House of Delegates, signed the following pieces of legislation, which you passed:

SB 291 The President (By Request – Administration)

Chapter 344

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2022, AND THE MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOANS OF 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, AND 2021

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$1,219,361,000, the proceeds to be used for certain necessary building, construction, demolition, planning, renovation, conversion, replacement, and capital equipment purchases of the State, for acquiring certain real estate in connection therewith, and for grants to certain subdivisions and other organizations for certain development and improvement purposes, subject to certain requirements; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 246 Delegates Carr and Lehman

Chapter 345

OPEN MEETINGS ACT – NOTICES AND CLOSED SESSIONS – RETENTION PERIODS AND ONLINE POSTING

Altering from 1 year to 3 years the period of time a public body is required to retain a certain notice and a certain written statement under the Open Meetings Act; and requiring a public body, to the extent practicable, to post a certain written closing statement online.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 269

Chapter 346

Senator Kagan

OPEN MEETINGS ACT – APPLICATION AND ENHANCED REQUIREMENTS (MARYLAND STATE AGENCY TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2022)

Repealing exemptions from the Open Meetings Act for certain independent and regional development units; establishing enhanced requirements under the Open Meetings Act for specified public bodies; and providing that a project site visit or educational field tour is not a meeting for purposes of the Open Meetings Act for certain public bodies if no organizational business is conducted.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 373

Chapter 347

Senator Kagan

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – NOTICE OF ENTRY ONTO PRIVATE PROPERTY

Requiring the State Highway Administration or the Maryland Transit Administration, when it gives certain notice to a property owner or posts certain notice to property, to send a copy of a certain notice to the General Assembly members who represent the legislative district in which the property is located.
EMERGENCY BILL

HB 163

Chapter 348

Delegate Carr

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EMERGENCY BILL

SB 633

Chapter 349

Senators Kagan and Reilly

PUBLIC SAFETY – 9–1–1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM – ALTERATIONS

Making alterations to the 9–1–1 Emergency Telephone System in the State; altering the classification of 9–1–1 specialists; authorizing 9–1–1 specialists to seek treatment for job–related audible or visual trauma confidentially; requiring the Maryland 9–1–1 Board to establish certain procedures governing vacancies on the Board; altering the powers and duties of the Board with respect to public safety answering point personnel and cybersecurity standards; requiring the Comptroller to submit certain updates regarding certain audits; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 1018

Chapter 350

Delegate Carey

GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF CRIME PREVENTION, YOUTH, AND VICTIM SERVICES – REQUIRED PERFORMANCE DATA AND SCORECARD

Requiring the Governor, in fiscal year 2024 and each fiscal year thereafter, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$500,000 for the Maryland Behavioral Health and Public Safety Center of Excellence; requiring the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to take certain actions related to the inclusion of performance data and information in reports and the creation of a scorecard of quantifiable safety indicators; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 17

Chapter 351

Senator West

CHILD CUSTODY – CASES INVOLVING CHILD ABUSE OR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE – TRAINING FOR JUDGES

Requiring the Maryland Judiciary, in consultation with domestic violence and child abuse organizations, to develop and update as appropriate a training program for judges and magistrates presiding over child custody cases involving child abuse or domestic violence; requiring the training program to include certain subject matter; and requiring the Maryland Judiciary to adopt procedures to ensure that only judges who have received certain training are assigned child custody cases that may involve child abuse or domestic violence.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

SB 90

Senator West

Chapter 352

DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT – SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS DATABASE

Requiring the Department of the Environment to create and maintain a database of supplemental environmental projects that the Department may consider for implementation as part of a settlement of an enforcement action; and requiring the Department to prioritize the selection of a supplemental environmental project located in the same geographic area as the alleged violation and to ensure that the scope and cost of a chosen project are sufficient to allow the Department and the alleged violator to reach a settlement.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 744

Delegate Lierman (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

Chapter 353

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – ADMINISTRATION – CLARIFICATIONS AND CORRECTIONS

Clarifying the procedures for certain State Retirement and Pension System trustee elections; clarifying the survivor benefit for certain beneficiaries of certain retirees of the State Police Retirement System; exempting certain individuals who are retirees of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System from a certain earnings offset under certain circumstances; providing for immediate vesting for certain individuals appointed by the Governor who are serving in certain positions on or after a certain date; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

SB 14

Senator Elfreth

Chapter 354

SUSTAINABLE MARYLAND PROGRAM AND FUND – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Sustainable Maryland Program; establishing the Sustainable Maryland Program Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to expand and enhance Sustainable Maryland's promotion and support of communities in Maryland in the effort to realize environmental, economic, and social sustainability; requiring interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; requiring the Governor, in fiscal year 2024 and each fiscal year thereafter, to provide an appropriation of \$500,000 to the Fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 409
Chapter 355 **Senator Elfreth (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions), et al**
STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM –
COVID-19-RELATED DEATH BENEFITS – SUNSET
EXTENSION

Extending the dates used to determine the eligibility of members of the State Retirement and Pension System for COVID-19-related death benefits.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

SB 739
Chapter 356 **Senator Elfreth (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)**
STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – INVESTMENT
DIVISION – COMPENSATION

Authorizing the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to pay certain financial incentives under certain circumstances and to adjust compensation for certain employees in the Investment Division of the State Retirement Agency under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 272
Chapter 357 **Senator Guzzone (By Request – Comptroller)**
DISCLOSURE OF TAX INFORMATION – FRAUD
IDENTIFICATION, PREVENTION, OR RESPONSE

Authorizing, subject to certain limitations, the disclosure of tax information to certain persons or governmental entities authorized by the Comptroller in writing to receive the tax information for the purpose of identifying, preventing, or responding to fraud.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

- SB 594**
Chapter 358 **Senator Guzzone**
WINERY AND VINEYARD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM
- Establishing the Winery and Vineyard Economic Development Grant Program within the Department of Commerce; authorizing certain individuals and corporations to receive a grant equal to 25% of the qualified capital expenses incurred in connection with establishing new wineries or vineyards or completing capital improvements at existing wineries and vineyards; requiring the Governor each year to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of at least \$1,000,000 to be used for grants under the Program; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022
- SB 798**
Chapter 359 **Senator Guzzone**
GOODWILL EXCEL CENTER – APPROPRIATION
- Requiring the Governor, for each of fiscal years 2024 and 2025, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$500,000 to the Goodwill Excel Center.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- SB 801**
Chapter 360 **Senator Guzzone**
STATE HEALTH PLAN – CHESAPEAKE BAY COMMISSION – RETIREES
- Including employment with the Chesapeake Bay Commission as eligible service with the State for participation as a retiree in the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program; authorizing the State to charge the Commission for the participation in the Program; and providing that the subsidy for employees and retirees of the Commission shall be the same subsidy provided for active and retired State employees.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- SB 271**
Chapter 361 **Senator Guzzone (By Request – Comptroller)**
COMMERCIAL LAW – DISPOSITION OF ABANDONED PROPERTY – WAIVER OF PENALTIES
- Authorizing the Comptroller to waive certain penalties related to abandoned property in the State.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 1249

Chapter 362

Delegate Beitzel, et al

**LIBRARIES – CAPITAL PROJECTS – STATE SHARE
ADJUSTMENTS**

Providing for a certain adjustment to the State share percentage for a county library capital project if a county's median household income is in the bottom quartile in the State and the State share percentage for a county library capital project is 50%; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 847

Chapter 363

Senator Edwards, et al

**LIBRARIES – CAPITAL PROJECTS – STATE SHARE
ADJUSTMENTS**

Providing for a certain adjustment to the State share percentage for a county library capital project if a county's median household income is in the bottom quartile in the State and the State share percentage for a county library capital project is 50%; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 968

Chapter 364

Delegate Kipke, et al

**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS – DENTAL ASSISTANTS –
CERTIFICATION AND REGULATION**

Establishing a certification and regulatory scheme to certify dental assistants to perform certain intraoral procedures; specifying the intraoral procedures a dental assistant is authorized to perform without being certified by the State Board of Dental Examiners and the intraoral procedures that require certification; and authorizing the Board to penalize a licensed dentist who allows a dental assistant to provide dental care in an unauthorized manner or without required instruction or supervision.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 1274

Chapter 365

Delegate Kipke

**PRESCRIPTION DRUGS – PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS –
FEDERAL 340B PROGRAM**

Establishing requirements and prohibitions on pharmacy benefits managers related to the federal 340B Program, including requirements related to coverage and reimbursement for drugs purchased under the Program.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 228 **Delegate Crosby**

Chapter 366 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – RATE SUSPENSION
PROCEEDINGS

Altering the number of days from 150 to 180 for which the Public Service Commission may initially suspend a public service company's proposed rate; and allowing the Commission to extend a rate suspension for up to an additional 90 days if the filing is for an alternative form of ratemaking for a public service company.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 131 **Senator Kelley**

Chapter 367 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – RATE SUSPENSION
PROCEEDINGS

Altering the number of days the Public Service Commission may initially suspend a new rate or change in rate proposed by the public service company from 150 to 180; repealing the Commission's authority to extend the rate suspension for an additional 30 days if the Commission makes a certain finding; and authorizing the Commission to extend the rate suspension for 90 days if the filing is for an alternative form of ratemaking for a public service company.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 952 **Senators Hough and Young**

Chapter 368 FREDERICK COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION – VACANCIES

Altering the method for filling a vacancy on the Frederick County Board of Education.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 924 **Delegate Valderrama**

Chapter 369 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS 4 LIMITED WINERY
LICENSES – EXTENSION

Extending the application dates of certain provisions related to certain holders of Class 4 limited winery licenses.

EFFECTIVE APRIL 15, 2022

SB 569

Senator Simonaire

Chapter 370

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS 4 LIMITED WINERY
LICENSES – EXTENSION**

Extending the application dates of certain provisions related to certain holders of Class 4 limited winery licenses.
EFFECTIVE APRIL 15, 2022

HB 1219

Delegate Bhandari

Chapter 371

**PHARMACISTS – STATUS AS HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND
STUDY ON REIMBURSEMENT**

Altering a certain definition of “health care provider” to include pharmacists for the purposes of provisions of law related to the destruction of medical records; and requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to establish a workgroup to identify options and requirements necessary for the reimbursement of pharmacists and submit a report to certain committees of the General Assembly by December 31, 2022.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 661

Senator Benson, et al

Chapter 372

**PHARMACISTS – STATUS AS HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND
STUDY ON REIMBURSEMENT**

Altering a certain definition of “health care provider” to include pharmacists for the purposes of provisions of law related to the destruction of medical records; and requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to establish a workgroup to identify options and requirements necessary for the reimbursement of pharmacists and submit a report to certain committees of the General Assembly by December 31, 2022.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 771 **Senator Ferguson**

Chapter 373 **BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – LICENSES
AND OUTDOOR TABLE SERVICE PRIVILEGES**

Altering certain hours of sale, certain square footage requirements, and a certain license fee for the holder of a public market license in the 46th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to waive certain distance restrictions for an application for the transfer of a license into a certain area; repealing a provision of law authorizing the Board to issue not more than two Class B licenses in a certain area in the 46th alcoholic beverages district; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 1221 **Delegate Amprey**

Chapter 374 **BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 40TH
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue certain licenses in certain areas of the 40th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City under certain circumstances; and prohibiting certain license holders in certain areas of the 40th alcoholic beverages district from selling alcoholic beverages at certain times of day.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 757 **Senator Hayes**

Chapter 375 **BALTIMORE CITY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – 40TH
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DISTRICT**

Authorizing the Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore City to issue certain licenses in certain areas of the 40th alcoholic beverages district in Baltimore City under certain circumstances; and prohibiting certain license holders in certain areas of the 40th alcoholic beverages district from selling alcoholic beverages at certain times of day.

EMERGENCY BILL

- HB 906**
Chapter 376 **Delegate J. Lewis**
HEALTH EQUITY RESOURCE COMMUNITIES –
MODIFICATIONS
- Requiring the Chesapeake Regional Information System for our Patients (CRISP) to provide technical assistance to the Community Health Resources Commission in implementing provisions of law governing Health Equity Resource Communities; altering the date from October 1, 2022, to October 1, 2023, by which the Commission must issue a request for proposals to designate areas as Health Equity Resource Communities; establishing that the Health Equity Resource Fund may be used to fund certain staffing positions at the Commission; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- SB 607**
Chapter 377 **Senator Hayes, et al**
HEALTH EQUITY RESOURCE COMMUNITIES –
MODIFICATIONS
- Requiring the Chesapeake Regional Information System for our Patients (CRISP) to provide technical assistance to the Community Health Resources Commission in implementing provisions of law governing Health Equity Resource Communities; altering the date from October 1, 2022, to October 1, 2023, by which the Commission must issue a request for proposals to designate areas as Health Equity Resource Communities; establishing that the Health Equity Resource Fund may be used to fund certain staffing positions at the Commission; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- SB 713**
Chapter 378 **Senator Reilly**
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – NATURAL RESOURCES – FISHING
GEAR
- Authorizing a person to use archery equipment to harvest northern snakehead in certain Anne Arundel County waters.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

[SB 642](#)

Senator Cassilly

Chapter 379

HARFORD COUNTY – VEHICLE HEIGHT MONITORING SYSTEMS

Authorizing the use of vehicle height monitoring systems in Harford County to enforce certain State and local laws restricting the presence of certain vehicles during certain times subject to certain requirements.

EMERGENCY BILL

[HB 1451](#)

Delegate McIntosh

Chapter 380

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – BUSINESS PROJECTS AND THE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM – FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Authorizing the Community Development Administration to provide certain forms of financial assistance for business projects; altering the requirements for a project to qualify as a certain business project; authorizing the Department of Housing and Community Development to provide certain forms of financial assistance under the Business Development Program; and authorizing the Department to sell or assign a certain equity interest without approval or execution by the Board of Public Works.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

[HB 1448](#)

Delegate Clippinger

Chapter 381

DISTRICT COURT – CONCURRENT CIVIL JURISDICTION – VIOLATION OF ORDINANCES

Establishing that the District Court has concurrent civil jurisdiction with a governing body of a county or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore over a proceeding for adjudication of a violation of certain ordinances.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

SB 147

Senator Waldstreicher

Chapter 382

MOTOR VEHICLES – OPERATION WHEN APPROACHING STOPPED, STANDING, OR PARKED VEHICLES

Requiring a driver to make a certain lane change or to slow the speed of the driver's vehicle with due regard for safety and traffic conditions when approaching from the rear a stopped, standing, or parked vehicle displaying hazard warning lights, road flares, or other caution signals.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 134

Senator Lee

Chapter 383

MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION – TRAINING REQUIREMENTS – ELECTRONIC STALKING

Requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to require certain entrance-level and in-service police training conducted by the State and each county and municipal police training school to include certain training related to the criminal laws concerning stalking as they pertain to electronic surveillance or tracking, including services available to victims, related prevention methods for victims, and how victims may request additional assistance to identify and preserve digital evidence.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 826

Senator Klausmeier, et al

Chapter 384

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND WATERMEN'S MICROLOAN PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Maryland Watermen's Microloan Program in the Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Industry Development Corporation to provide loans to qualified commercial fishermen to continue commercial operations in the State; providing, beginning July 1, 2025, that generational watermen, beginner watermen, and seafood processing businesses are eligible to receive loans under the Program; and requiring that a loan made under the Program be at least \$7,000 and not more than \$15,000.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

- SB 950** **Senators Eckardt and Carozza**
Chapter 385 **WICOMICO COUNTY – ORPHANS’ COURT – SALARY OF ORPHANS’ COURT JUDGES**
- Increasing the salary of a judge of the Orphans’ Court of Wicomico County from \$9,500 to \$11,600.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
- SB 988** **Senator Eckardt (By Request – Dorchester County Council)**
Chapter 386 **DORCHESTER COUNTY – ORPHANS’ COURT – SALARY AND EXPENSE ALLOWANCE OF ORPHANS’ COURT JUDGES**
- Increasing, from \$4,700 to \$6,000, the salary of a judge of the Orphans’ Court for Dorchester County; and increasing, from \$800 to \$1,000, the annual expense allowance of a judge of the Orphans’ Court for Dorchester County.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
- HB 193** **Dorchester County Delegation, et al**
Chapter 387 **MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION – EXCEPTIONS FOR GOLF CARTS – HOOPERS ISLAND AND TAYLORS ISLAND**
- Creating an exception to motor vehicle registration requirements for golf carts on Upper Hoopers Island, Middle Hoopers Island, and Taylors Island; providing that a person operating a golf cart on Upper or Middle Hoopers Island and Taylors Island may only operate a golf cart that is equipped with certain lighting devices, on highways with a maximum speed limit of 30 miles per hour, and between dawn and dusk; requiring the operator to have a valid driver’s license; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 80

Chapter 388

Senator Eckardt

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION – EXCEPTIONS FOR GOLF CARS – HOOPERS ISLAND AND TAYLORS ISLAND

Creating an exception to motor vehicle registration requirements for golf carts on Upper Hoopers Island, Middle Hoopers Island, and Taylors Island, in Dorchester County; providing that a person who operates a golf car on a highway in Upper Hoopers Island, Middle Hoopers Island, and Taylors Island may operate the golf cart only on highways on which the maximum speed does not exceed 30 miles per hour between dawn and dusk and only if the golf cart is equipped with certain lighting devices; requiring the operator to have a valid driver's license; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 143

Chapter 389

Delegate Otto

SOMERSET COUNTY – NATURAL RESOURCES – SUNDAY HUNTING

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person in Somerset County to hunt on private property during a certain time period on certain Sundays of the game bird or game mammal seasons; and establishing an exception to the prohibition against the Department authorizing Sunday hunting on public land for public land in Somerset County leased to a hunt club during a certain time period on certain Sundays.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 51

Chapter 390

Delegate Mautz

TALBOT COUNTY – DEER AND TURKEY HUNTING – SUNDAYS

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt deer during certain time periods on each Sunday of the deer hunting seasons in Talbot County; and authorizing the Department to allow a person to hunt turkey during certain time periods on each Sunday of the spring turkey hunting season in Talbot County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 885 **Senators Griffith and Elfreth**

Chapter 391 **MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION –
MARYLAND EQUITY INVESTMENT FUND – ESTABLISHED**

Establishing the Maryland Equity Investment Fund in the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; providing for the investment of certain General Fund surplus in certain private equity and venture capital in the State for a certain purpose through the Fund; and altering, for fiscal year 2024, the distribution of certain unappropriated General Fund surplus.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 458 **Senators Griffith and Elfreth**

Chapter 392 **MARYLAND TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES
SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT PLANS – USE OF MINORITY
BUSINESS ENTERPRISES**

Requiring the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Teachers and State Employees Supplemental Retirement Plans to consider using minority business enterprises for investment advisor and fund manager services; requiring the Board to use the Office of State Procurement’s website and the State’s electronic procurement system to provide notice to potential providers; and requiring the Board, in consultation with a certain entity, to identify entities that have been certified as minority business enterprises under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 855 **Delegate Boyce**

Chapter 393 **AGRICULTURE – URBAN AGRICULTURE WATER AND POWER
INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM AND FUND –
ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Urban Agriculture Water and Power Infrastructure Grant Program in the Department of Agriculture to increase the viability of urban farming and community gardens and improve access to urban-grown foods; establishing the Urban Agriculture Water and Power Infrastructure Grant Fund to provide grants to urban agricultural producers and qualified nonprofit organizations for the purchase and installation of agricultural equipment associated with water supply and irrigation and electric power access; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 942 **Senators Griffith and Hayes**

Chapter 394 **AGRICULTURE – URBAN AGRICULTURE WATER AND POWER
INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM AND FUND –
ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Urban Agriculture Water and Power Infrastructure Grant Program in the Department of Agriculture to increase the viability of urban farming and community gardens and improve access to urban-grown foods; and establishing the Urban Agriculture Water and Power Infrastructure Grant Fund to provide grants to urban agricultural producers and qualified nonprofit organizations for the purchase and installation of agriculture equipment associated with water supply and irrigation and electric power access.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 626 **Senator Griffith, et al**

Chapter 395 **MARYLAND LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM FOR
PHYSICIANS AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS – ALTERATIONS**

Clarifying that part-time physicians and physician assistants are eligible for participation in the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Physicians and Physician Assistants; authorizing the Maryland Department of Health to establish prorated loan repayment assistance for part-time physicians and physician assistants; and establishing the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program Advisory Council for Physicians and Physician Assistants to assist the Department in the administration of the Program.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 1464

Chapter 396

Delegate Sample–Hughes

MARYLAND LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM FOR PHYSICIANS AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS – ALTERATIONS

Clarifying that part–time physicians and physician assistants are eligible for participation in the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Physicians and Physician Assistants; authorizing the Maryland Department of Health to establish prorated loan repayment assistance for part–time physicians and physician assistants; and establishing the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program Advisory Council for Physicians and Physician Assistants to assist the Department in the administration of the Program.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 27

Chapter 397

Senator Augustine

ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE AND DEMENTIA – COUNCIL AND COORDINATION OF SERVICES (DEMENTIA SERVICES ACT OF 2022)

Renaming the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Council to be the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias Council; establishing 3–year terms for the appointed members of the Council; requiring the Council, by September 1, 2022, and by September 1 every 5 years thereafter, to issue and publish an update to the State Plan on Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias; establishing the position of Director of Dementia Services and Brain Health to facilitate communication relating to dementia services; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 166 **Delegate Sample–Hughes, et al**

Chapter 398

**ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE AND DEMENTIA – COUNCIL AND
COORDINATION OF SERVICES (DEMENTIA SERVICES ACT OF
2022)**

Renaming the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Council to be the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias Council; establishing 3–year terms for the appointed members of the Council; requiring the Council, by September 1, 2022, and every 5 years thereafter, to issue and publish an update to the State Plan on Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias; establishing the position of Director of Dementia Services and Brain Health to facilitate communication about dementia services in the State; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 103 **Senator Augustine**

Chapter 399

**STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR AUDIOLOGISTS, HEARING
AID DISPENSERS, SPEECH–LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS, AND
MUSIC THERAPISTS – REVISIONS**

Altering certain requirements for the licensing and regulation of audiologists, hearing aid dispensers, speech–language pathologists, and music therapists, including clarifying quorum requirements for the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, Speech–Language Pathologists, and Music Therapists, license reciprocity, professional disciplinary grounds, and delegation authority for audiologists.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 155 **Delegate Sample–Hughes**

Chapter 400

**STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR AUDIOLOGISTS, HEARING
AID DISPENSERS, SPEECH–LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS, AND
MUSIC THERAPISTS – REVISIONS**

Altering certain requirements for the licensing and regulation of audiologists, hearing aid dispensers, speech–language pathologists, and music therapists, including clarifying quorum requirements for the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, Speech–Language Pathologists, and Music Therapists, license reciprocity, professional disciplinary grounds, and delegation authority for audiologists.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 777 **Delegates Rosenberg and Stein**

Chapter 401 **REAL PROPERTY – PARTITION OF PROPERTY**

Requiring the court in an action to partition real property to determine whether the property is heirs property for the purpose of partition of the property among certain cotenants and if so, to determine the market value of the property unless the court makes certain determinations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 92 **Senator Augustine, et al**

Chapter 402 **REAL PROPERTY – PARTITION OF PROPERTY**

Requiring the court in an action to partition real property to determine the market value of the property unless the court makes certain determinations; and establishing procedures for the purchase of interests in real property by cotenants, for the partition in kind of real property among cotenants, and for the partition by sale of real property on the open market by a real estate broker licensed in this State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 518 **Senator Augustine**

Chapter 403 **CAREER PATHWAYS FOR HEALTH CARE WORKERS PROGRAM**

Establishing the Career Pathways for Health Care Workers Program in the Maryland Department of Labor for the purpose of providing matching grants to eligible employers for training programs attended by health care workers; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill and appropriation of at least \$1,000,000 for the Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 286 **Delegate Kaiser**

Chapter 404 **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES – PARAMEDICS –
IMMUNIZATION ADMINISTRATION – EFFECTIVE DATE**

Delaying the effective date to January 1, 2025, of certain provisions of law that repeal the authority of paramedics to administer influenza and 2019CoV immunizations under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

- HB 1397**
Chapter 405 **Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**
HEALTH INSURANCE – PRESCRIPTION INSULIN DRUGS – LIMITS ON COPAYMENT AND COINSURANCE (INSULIN COST REDUCTION ACT)
Requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to limit the amount a covered individual is required to pay in copayments or coinsurance for a covered prescription insulin drug to not more than \$30 for a 30–day supply.
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023
- HB 178**
Chapter 406 **Delegate Chang, et al**
PUBLIC HEALTH – COTTAGE FOOD BUSINESSES – ANNUAL REVENUES
Altering the definition of “cottage food business” for the purpose of increasing from \$25,000 to \$50,000 the cap on the annual revenue from the sale of cottage food products that a cottage food business may earn.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
- HB 1149**
Chapter 407 **Delegate Jacobs, et al**
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – SHRIMP FISHERY REGULATIONS – CLARIFICATION
Clarifying the authority of the Department of Natural Resources to, notwithstanding certain provisions of law, adopt regulations governing any aspect of the shrimp fishery and establishing and implementing a pilot program related to fishing for shrimp.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- HB 592**
Chapter 408 **Delegate Jacobs, et al**
DEER MANAGEMENT PERMIT – HUNTING ON STATE LAND LEASED BY PERMIT HOLDER – AUTHORIZATION
Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow an individual who hunts deer under a Deer Management Permit to use a shotgun or breech loading center fired rifle approved by the Department to hunt deer throughout the year, including all deer hunting seasons, in a certain manner on State land leased by a permit holder for the purpose of cultivating crops.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 455

Chapter 409

Senator Bailey

**CHESAPEAKE BAY AND COASTAL SPORT FISHING LICENSE
AND RECREATIONAL FISHING – PILOT PROGRAM AND TASK
FORCE**

Establishing the Chesapeake Bay and Coastal Sport Fishing License Pilot Program to collect certain recreational fishing information and improve compliance with a certain registration requirement; establishing the Task Force on Recreational Fishing Data Collection and Licensing to study and develop multiyear plans for improving the collection and quality of certain recreational fishing data; and requiring the Task force to report its recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

HB 601

Chapter 410

Delegate Jacobs, et al

**CHESAPEAKE BAY AND COASTAL SPORT FISHING LICENSE
AND RECREATIONAL FISHING – PILOT PROGRAM AND TASK
FORCE**

Establishing the Chesapeake Bay and Coastal Sport Fishing License Pilot Program to collect certain recreational fishing information and improve compliance with a certain registration requirement; requiring a certain annual report on the program by December 1, 2023; establishing the Task Force on Recreational Fishing Data Collection and Licensing to study and develop multiyear plans for improving the collection and quality of certain recreational fishing data; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings by December 1, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

SB 876

Chapter 411

Senators Bailey and Carozza

**WATER POLLUTION – OYSTER REPLETION SUPPLEMENTAL
ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS**

Requiring the Department of the Environment to include oyster repletion projects in a certain database; and requiring the Department to prioritize a supplemental environmental project involving certain oyster repletion projects for a party who is in violation of a certain effluent limitation or unpermitted discharge.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 1201

Chapter 412

Delegate Jacobs, et al

WATER POLLUTION – OYSTER REPLETION SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS

Requiring the Department of the Environment to include oyster repletion projects in a certain database; and requiring the Department to prioritize a supplemental environmental project involving certain oyster repletion projects for a party who is in violation of a certain effluent limitation or unpermitted discharge.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 644

Chapter 413

Cecil County Delegation

CECIL COUNTY – FISHING – RESTRICTIONS

Adding Cecil County to a list of counties to which certain riparian laws do not apply; prohibiting a person from placing pound nets to catch fish for commercial use in the waters of the Susquehanna River in Cecil County; and repealing certain fishing restrictions that apply in Cecil County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 900

Chapter 414

Cecil County Senators

CECIL COUNTY – FISHING – REVISIONS

Adding Cecil County to a list of counties to which certain riparian laws do not apply; prohibiting a person from placing pound nets to catch fish for commercial use in the waters of the Susquehanna River in Cecil County; and repealing certain fishing restrictions that apply in Cecil County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 76

Chapter 415

Delegate Smith, et al

**COMMUNITY SOLAR ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEMS –
EXEMPTION FROM PROPERTY TAXES**

Exempting certain community solar energy generating systems from personal property taxes; prohibiting the supervisor of a county or a municipal corporation from accepting applications for the exemption after December 31, 2024; and requiring the Department of Assessments and Taxation to report to certain committees of the General Assembly, by October 1 each year, on the number and location of projects that, in the immediately preceding taxable year, have received the exemption.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

SB 838

Chapter 416

Senator Young

**TRANSPORTATION – ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED
TRANSPORTATION SERVICE – COUNTY FUNDING**

Requiring the Secretary of Transportation to identify separately within the Department of Transportation's annual budget at least \$4,305,908 of funding in fiscal year 2024 and a certain amount of funding in all subsequent fiscal years to be used for county elderly and handicapped transportation service; and requiring, on or before December 1 each year, the Secretary to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on the amount of funding distributed to each county and municipality under the Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 146

Chapter 417

Senator Young, et al

**VEHICLE LAWS – PLUG-IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLES –
RESERVED PARKING SPACES**

Prohibiting a person from stopping, standing, or parking a vehicle that is not a plug-in electric drive vehicle plugged into charging equipment in a parking space that is designated by certain signage indicating for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles only; requiring that a parking space for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles be counted as part of the overall number of parking spaces for certain purposes; establishing a civil penalty of \$100 for a violation of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 157

Chapter 418

Delegate Barve, et al

**VEHICLE LAWS – PLUG-IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLES –
RESERVED PARKING SPACES**

Prohibiting a person from stopping, standing, or parking a vehicle that is not a plug-in electric drive vehicle plugged into charging equipment in a parking space that is designated for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles; establishing certain standards for signage designating reserved parking for certain plug-in electric drive vehicles; requiring that a parking space that is for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles be counted as part of the overall number of parking spaces for purposes of complying with certain laws; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 318

Chapter 419

Delegate Stein

**ENVIRONMENT – ON-SITE WASTEWATER SERVICES –
REGULATION**

Establishing the State Board of On-Site Wastewater Professionals in the Department of the Environment to regulate individuals who provide on-site wastewater services in the State and to establish minimum standards for certain on-site wastewater systems; requiring the Department, in consultation with the Board, to set certain fees for the issuance and renewal of licenses and other Board-provided services; establishing the On-Site Wastewater Professionals Fund; requiring the Board to establish a certain code of ethics; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 784

Chapter 420

Delegate Stein

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – IRREPLACEABLE
NATURAL AREAS PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Irreplaceable Natural Areas Program in the Department of Natural Resources to preserve Maryland's native biodiversity on State-owned land managed by the Department; requiring the Department, by July 1, 2023, to adopt regulations designating irreplaceable natural areas on State-owned land managed by the Department and establishing management objectives for irreplaceable natural areas; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

HB 930 **Delegate Stein**

Chapter 421 SENATOR WILLIAM H. AMOSS FIRE, RESCUE, AND
 AMBULANCE FUNDS – PROPERTY ACQUISITION AND
 CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES

Repealing certain requirements regarding the location of land that may be acquired by the State under the Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund; and authorizing the use of the Fund for certain construction.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 1380 **Delegate P. Young, et al**

Chapter 422 GENERAL PROVISIONS – LGBTQ VETERANS – HONORABLE
 DISCHARGE (RESTORATION OF HONOR ACT)

Defining “honorable discharge” with respect to any State program of benefits, rights, or privileges applicable to a veteran to include certain discharge that is less than honorable; requiring a veteran to submit to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs documentation that provides the basis for the veteran’s discharge; and requiring the Secretary to adopt certain regulations to determine whether an individual qualifies as an honorably discharged veteran.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 167 **Delegate Bagnall, et al**

Chapter 423 COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A MARYLAND WOMEN
 VETERANS MEMORIAL

Establishing the Commission to Establish a Maryland Women Veterans Memorial to study establishing a memorial dedicated to Maryland women veterans; and requiring the Commission to submit a preliminary report on its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by February 1, 2023, and a final report by September 30, 2023.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 514 **Charles County Delegation**

Chapter 424 CHARLES COUNTY – NATURAL RESOURCES – SUNDAY
HUNTING

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person in Charles County to hunt any game bird or game mammal during a certain time period on certain Sundays during the open season for that game bird or game mammal.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 739 **Charles County Delegation**

Chapter 425 WORKGROUP TO STUDY THE FISCAL AND OPERATIONAL
VIABILITY OF PUBLIC–PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS FOR
CHARLES COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Establishing a Workgroup to Study the Fiscal and Operational Viability of Public–Private Partnerships for Charles County Public Schools; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Board of Charles County Commissioners, the Charles County Board of Education, the Interagency Commission on School Construction, and the members of the Charles County Delegation of the General Assembly.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

SB 916 **Senator Jackson**

Chapter 426 WORKGROUP TO STUDY THE FISCAL AND OPERATIONAL
VIABILITY OF PUBLIC–PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS FOR
CHARLES COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Establishing a Workgroup to Study the Fiscal and Operational Viability of Public–Private Partnerships for Charles County Public Schools; and requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Board of Charles County Commissioners, the Charles County Board of Education, the Interagency Commission on School Construction, and the members of the Charles County Delegation of the General Assembly.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

SB 232 **Senator Jackson**

Chapter 427 **REGISTERS OF WILLS – MAXIMUM SALARY – INCREASE**

Increasing from \$124,500 to \$146,500, the maximum annual salary that the Board of Public Works may set for a register of wills.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 195 **Delegate Clark, et al**

Chapter 428 **MARINE CONTRACTOR LICENSE – AUTHORIZATION, REQUIREMENTS, AND FEES**

Authorizing a unit of local government to qualify for a marine contractor license; exempting an individual employed by a county or municipality in the State who performs marine contractor services while in the performance of the duties of their employment from paying a fee for the issuance or renewal of a marine contractor license or a test administered by the Marine Contractors Licensing Board; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 170 **Delegate Clark**

Chapter 429 **CALVERT COUNTY – SUNDAY HUNTING**

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt during a certain time period on certain Sundays of the game bird and game mammal seasons in Calvert County.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 558 **Delegate Clark**

Chapter 430 **LAND USE – AGRITOURISM – DEFINITION**

Altering the definition of “agritourism” to include camping and incidental stays for the purpose of a certain provision of law authorizing a local jurisdiction to adopt the definition of “agritourism”.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 296 **Senators Gallion and Carozza**

Chapter 431 **LAND USE – AGRITOURISM – DEFINITION**

Altering the definition of “agritourism” to include camping and incidental outdoor stays for the purpose of a certain provision of law authorizing a local jurisdiction to adopt the definition of “agritourism”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 527 **St. Mary’s County Delegation**

Chapter 432 **ST. MARY’S COUNTY – EMERGENCY SERVICES APPLICANTS –
POLYGRAPH EXAMINATIONS**

Exempting applicants for employment as a paramedic or an emergency medical technician with St. Mary’s County or employment with the St. Mary’s County Emergency Communications Center from the prohibition on employers requiring or demanding that an individual submit to or take a polygraph examination as a condition of employment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 1143 **Allegany County Delegation and Garrett County Delegation**

Chapter 433 **ALLEGANY COUNTY AND GARRETT COUNTY – ALL–TERRAIN
VEHICLES AND SNOWMOBILES**

Expanding the definition of “all–terrain vehicle” in provisions governing the use of all–terrain vehicles and snowmobiles in Allegany County and Garrett County to include off–highway motorcycles; and expanding the area of a highway from 2 miles to 5 miles on which Allegany County and Garrett County may authorize all–terrain vehicles and snowmobiles to operate.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 1076 **Delegate Wivell**

Chapter 434 **VEHICLE LAWS – ELECTRONIC OR DIGITAL 24–HOUR
REGISTRATION**

Authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue an electronic or digital 24–hour registration authorizing an owner of a vehicle to operate the vehicle on a highway in the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 994

Delegate Brooks

Chapter 435

**PUBLIC UTILITIES – UNDERGROUND FACILITIES –
ONE-CALL SYSTEM**

Requiring a person notifying the one-call system before performing an excavation or demolition to select a specific start work date; altering the information that must be provided to a one-call system; requiring the ticket generated by the one-call system to include a response date and time that corresponds with the start work date selected by the person; altering the time frame during which a ticket is valid; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

SB 789

Senator Feldman

Chapter 436

**PUBLIC UTILITIES – UNDERGROUND FACILITIES –
ONE-CALL SYSTEM**

Requiring a person notifying the one-call system before performing an excavation or demolition to select a specific start work date; altering the information that must be provided to a one-call system; requiring the ticket generated by the one-call system to include a response date and time that corresponds with the start work date selected by the person; altering the time frame during which a ticket is valid; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

SB 527

Senator Feldman

Chapter 437

**ELDERLY INDIVIDUALS – HOWARD COUNTY AND
MONTGOMERY COUNTY ADULT DAY HEALTH CARE
SERVICES PILOT PROGRAM AND TASK FORCE**

Establishing the Howard County and Montgomery County Adult Day Health Care Services Pilot Program in Howard County and Montgomery County to integrate the provision of medical adult day care services, home health care services, and medical services provided under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; authorizing Howard County and Montgomery County to jointly authorize the operation of one or more integrator entities to coordinate services provided under the pilot program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

- HB 341**
Chapter 438 **Delegate Brooks**
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS
- Altering the date, from September 1 to November 1 of each year, by which the Public Service Commission must submit a report on the status of a certain net metering program; and repealing a reporting requirement on customer education about competitive electricity supply.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- SB 257**
Chapter 439 **Senator Beidle**
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS
- Altering the date, from September 1 to November 1 of each year, by which the Public Service Commission must submit a report on the status of a certain net metering program; and repealing a reporting requirement on customer education about competitive electricity supply.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- HB 205**
Chapter 440 **Delegate Bartlett**
CLERKS OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS – BONDS, LICENSES, OATHS, AND COMMISSIONS
- Altering certain provisions and procedures relating to the clerks of the circuit courts, including the execution of certain bonds and the issuance of certain licenses.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
- SB 97**
Chapter 441 **Senator Beidle**
CLERKS OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS – BONDS, LICENSES, OATHS, AND COMMISSIONS
- Altering certain provisions and procedures relating to the clerks of the circuit courts, including the execution of certain bonds and the issuance of certain licenses.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 1323 **Delegate Bartlett**

Chapter 442 VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE – PROVISION OF SERVICES –
TECHNICAL CORRECTION

Correcting a cross-reference relating to a requirement that a physician or hospital provide certain services to victims of sexual abuse without charge to the victim.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 546 **Delegate Arentz, et al**

Chapter 443 PEDESTRIANS – KENT ISLAND DRAWBRIDGE – FISHING
PROHIBITION

Prohibiting a pedestrian from catching or attempting to catch fish by any means on or under the Maryland Route 18 Kent Island Drawbridge over the Kent Narrows in Queen Anne's County.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 556 **Delegate Arentz, et al**

Chapter 444 CAROLINE COUNTY, DORCHESTER COUNTY, AND QUEEN
ANNE'S COUNTY – NATURAL RESOURCES – SUNDAY
HUNTING

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt during a certain time period on certain Sundays of the game bird and game mammal seasons in Caroline County, Dorchester County, and Queen Anne's County.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 379

Delegate Korman

Chapter 445

STATE EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFITS PROGRAM – ELIGIBILITY FOR ENROLLMENT AND PARTICIPATION (INDEPENDENT AGENCY HEALTH INSURANCE OPTION ACT)

Authorizing employees of the Maryland Agricultural and Resource–Based Industry Development Corporation and the Maryland Clean Energy Center to enroll and participate in the health insurance benefit options established under the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program; requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to determine whether the entities are eligible to participate in the Program within 60 days of the effective date of the Act; and requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to submit a certain report.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 383

Delegates Korman and Solomon

Chapter 446

YOUNG READERS PROGRAMS – ESTABLISHMENT (YOUNG READERS PROGRAM EXPANSION ACT)

Establishing the Baltimore City Young Readers Program within the Division of Children and Youth of the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to mail free, high–quality books to children in Baltimore City; establishing the Young Readers Matching Grant Program within the Division to provide matching grants to affiliated services to support the establishment and operation of certain book–gifting services; and requiring the Deputy Director of the Division to administer the programs.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 438

Chapter 447

Senator McCray

YOUNG READERS PROGRAMS – ESTABLISHMENT (YOUNG READERS PROGRAM EXPANSION ACT)

Establishing the Baltimore City Young Readers Program within the Division of Children and Youth of the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to mail free, high-quality books to certain children; establishing the Young Readers Matching Grant Program within the Division to provide matching grants to affiliated services to support the establishment and operation of certain book-gifting services; requiring the Deputy Director of the Division to administer the programs; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 59

Chapter 448

Senator McCray, et al

MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – TOLLS – CIVIL PENALTIES

Requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to waive certain civil penalties assessed for certain toll violations under certain circumstances; and requiring the Authority to reimburse certain civil penalties paid in error and notify certain individuals eligible for a certain reimbursement.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 27

Chapter 449

Delegates Luedtke and Smith

HISTORIC REVITALIZATION AND ENTERPRISE ZONE TAX CREDITS– ALTERATIONS AND ELIGIBILITY

Altering certain limitations on a certain credit against the State income tax for certain commercial rehabilitation projects; establishing the Small Commercial Project Trust Account within the Historic Revitalization Tax Credit Reserve Fund; requiring the Governor, in certain fiscal years, to include in the annual State budget an appropriation of at least a certain amount for the Reserve Fund and the Trust Account; altering eligibility for and the calculation of a certain credit against a certain property tax; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

SB 289 **Senators McCray and Hester**

Chapter 450

HISTORIC REVITALIZATION AND ENTERPRISE ZONE TAX CREDITS – ALTERATIONS AND ELIGIBILITY

Altering certain limitations on a certain credit against the State income tax for certain commercial rehabilitation projects; establishing the Small Commercial Project Trust Account within the Historic Revitalization Tax Credit Reserve Fund; requiring the Governor, in certain fiscal years, to include in the annual State budget an appropriation of at least a certain amount for the Reserve Fund and the Trust Account; altering the eligibility for and the calculation of a certain credit against a certain property tax; etc.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

HB 1048 **Delegate Henson**

Chapter 451

COMMISSION ON AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE – ALTERATIONS (SENATOR VERDA WELCOME ACT)

Establishing the Commission on African American History and Culture as an independent agency; requiring the Governor, for each fiscal year, to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$1,600,000 for the Commission; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 953 **Senator McCray**

Chapter 452

COMMISSION ON AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE – ALTERATIONS (SENATOR VERDA WELCOME ACT)

Establishing the Commission on African American History and Culture as an independent unit in the Executive Branch of State government; and requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$1,600,000 to the Commission.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 278

Senator McCray

Chapter 453

**MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND –
INSTALLMENT PAYMENT PLANS**

Altering certain restrictions and requirements related to the authority of the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund to accept premiums on an installment payment basis for motor vehicle liability insurance policies; and authorizing the Fund to charge and collect, if approved by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner, reasonable installment fees or reasonable fees for late payment of premiums by policyholders.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 1473

Prince George's County Delegation

Chapter 454

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICTS –
REDISTRICTING PLAN PG 507–22**

Altering the boundaries of the school board districts for election of the members of the Prince George's County Board of Education.

EMERGENCY BILL

SB 444

Prince George's County Senators

Chapter 455

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICTS –
REDISTRICTING PLAN**

Altering the boundaries of the school board districts for election of the members of the Prince George's County Board of Education.

EMERGENCY BILL

HB 396 **Prince George’s County Delegation and Montgomery County**
Chapter 456 **Delegation**

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD – OPEN
MEETINGS – VIDEO AND AUDIO STREAMING AND MINUTES
PG/MC 101–22**

Requiring the Montgomery County Planning Board to stream live video or teleconference audio or other audio of the open meetings of the Board and to prepare minutes of each open meeting; requiring the Board to maintain on its website complete and unedited archived recordings of livestreamed open meetings and the minutes of its open meetings; and providing that the inability of the Board to comply with the livestreaming requirements due to technical issues does not affect the validity of actions taken by the Board at an open meeting.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 400 **Prince George’s County Delegation and Montgomery County**
Chapter 457 **Delegation**

**WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION – HIRING
AND PROMOTION PREFERENCES – VETERANS AND THEIR
SPOUSES PG/MC 106–22**

Authorizing the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to grant a preference in hiring and promotion to eligible veterans, spouses of eligible veterans who have service-connected disabilities, and surviving spouses of deceased eligible veterans; and defining the term “eligible veteran” as any veteran of any branch of the armed forces of the United States who has an honorable discharge or a certificate of satisfactory completion of military service.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 485 **Montgomery County Delegation**
Chapter 458

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY – DEER HUNTING – SUNDAYS MC
25–22**

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt deer from 30 minutes before sunrise until 10:30 a.m. on certain Sundays in Montgomery County.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 75

Chapter 459

Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo, et al

**MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION – HEMP
INDUSTRY MEMBER**

Increasing, from 29 to 30, the number of members of the Maryland Agricultural Commission appointed by the Governor; and requiring the Governor to appoint one member from a list of at least two nominees representing the hemp industry.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 38

Chapter 460

Delegate Healey

**MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY – VIDEO TOLLS –
COLLECTION**

Clarifying that the Maryland Transportation Authority may refer a delinquent account for unpaid video tolls to the Central Collection Unit; authorizing the Authority to recall certain delinquent accounts from the Central Collection Unit and waive unpaid tolls and associated penalties; and prohibiting the Central Collection Unit from collecting a delinquent account that is recalled by the Authority.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

HB 854

Chapter 461

Delegate Wilkins

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MARYLAND ALCOHOL
MANUFACTURING AND PROMOTION**

Repealing the Maryland Wine and Grape Promotion Fund and the Advisory Commission on Maryland Wine and Grape Growing; establishing the Advisory Commission on Maryland Alcohol Manufacturing in the Department of Commerce as the successor to the Advisory Commission on Maryland Wine and Grape Growing; establishing the Maryland Alcohol Manufacturing Promotion Fund to provide grants that promote the advantages and attributes of State breweries, distilleries, and wineries and their products; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 698

Senator Zucker

Chapter 462

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MARYLAND ALCOHOL
MANUFACTURING AND PROMOTION**

Repealing the Maryland Wine and Grape Promotion Fund and the Advisory Commission on Maryland Wine and Grape Growing; establishing the Advisory Commission on Maryland Alcohol Manufacturing in the Department of Commerce as the successor to the Advisory Commission on Maryland Wine and Grape Growing; establishing the Maryland Alcohol Manufacturing Promotion Fund to provide grants that promote the advantages and attributes of State breweries, distilleries, and wineries and their products; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 61

Senator Zucker

Chapter 463

**MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION – CONVERSION TO
ZERO-EMISSION BUSES (ZERO-EMISSION BUS TRANSITION
ACT REVISIONS)**

Requiring the Maryland Transit Administration to provide certain safety and workforce development training for its operations training workforce and its maintenance workforce; requiring the Administration's annual report on the implementation of the conversion of the State's transit bus fleet to zero-emission buses to include a plan that ensures certain employee protections and a certification that the Administration is adhering to the plan; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 636

Senator Zucker, et al

Chapter 464

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – WAIVER PROGRAMS
– WAITLIST AND REGISTRY REDUCTION (END THE WAIT ACT)**

Requiring the Maryland Department of Health to develop plans to reduce the waitlist or registry for certain waiver programs by 50% beginning in fiscal year 2024.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

- HB 869**
Chapter 465 **Delegate Gilchrist, et al**
WETLANDS AND WATERWAYS PROGRAM DIVISION –
PERMITTING FOR ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION PROJECTS –
REQUIRED STUDY
- Requiring the Department of the Environment’s Wetlands and Waterways Program Division to study permitting for ecological restoration projects; requiring the Department to report on its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by June 1, 2024; etc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022
- HB 993**
Chapter 466 **Delegates Ebersole and Solomon**
CHILD CARE CAPITAL SUPPORT REVOLVING LOAN FUND –
ESTABLISHED
- Establishing the Child Care Capital Support Revolving Loan Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to provide no-interest loans for capital expenses related to a child care facility to child care providers who participate in the Child Care Scholarship Program; requiring the Department of Commerce to administer the Fund with support from the State Department of Education; and requiring the Department of Commerce to publicize the availability of loans from the Fund.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022
- HB 446**
Chapter 467 **Delegate Forbes**
BALTIMORE COUNTY – DISPOSITION OF MARRIAGE
CEREMONY FEE
- Altering the distribution of the fee for performing a marriage ceremony in Baltimore County to require the clerk of the circuit court to pay the entire \$25 amount to the Baltimore County Historical Trust, Inc.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 53

Chapter 468

Delegate R. Lewis, et al

VEHICLE LAWS – DEDICATED BUS LANES – PROHIBITION AND MONITORING SYSTEMS

Prohibiting a person from driving a motor vehicle in a dedicated bus lane unless authorized by a local jurisdiction, subject to certain exceptions; requiring the City of Baltimore to issue a new competitive request for proposals to select a certain contractor to carry out certain provisions of the Act; requiring the Baltimore City Police Department to issue a warning notice in place of a citation to a liable owner during the first 45 days that the bus lane monitoring system is in operation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

HB 664

Chapter 469

Delegate Guyton, et al

CHILD CARE PROGRAMS – MARYLAND INFANTS AND TODDLERS PROGRAM – INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE

Requiring a child care program to provide to parents or guardians of a child under the age of 3 years information about the Maryland Infants and Toddlers Program and contact information for the local agency responsible for administering the Program; requiring a child care program to assist a parent or guardian with scheduling a time and location for the administering agency of the Program to provide a certain screening; and requiring the State Department of Education to provide certain information to child care programs.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 749

Chapter 470

Delegate Guyton

NATURAL RESOURCES – MARYLAND PARK EXPLORERS GRANT PILOT PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Maryland Park Explorers Grant Pilot Program in the Department of Natural Resources to provide Anne Arundel County and Baltimore County with funds to establish local Park Explorers Pilot Programs; requiring the Pilot Programs to target youth populations with minimal access to green spaces, promote the positive aspects of being outdoors, and provide conservation concepts and local history and culture in its messaging; requiring the Governor to appropriate \$100,000 for the Program in fiscal years 2024, 2025, and 2026; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 466

Senator Carter

Chapter 471

POTOMAC RIVER COMPACT – CLARIFICATION OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF AMENDMENTS

Clarifying that the State considers certain amendments to the Potomac River Compact to be in effect.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

HB 191

Delegate Lehman, et al

Chapter 472

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – SPAY/NEUTER FUND – EXTENSION AND REPORT

Extending the termination date to September 30, 2032, for provisions of law related to the Spay/Neuter Fund; and requiring the Department of Agriculture to report to the General Assembly by October 1, 2022, on spay and neuter programs that are not receiving funding from the Fund, the market capacity for increasing the fees assessed on each brand name or product name of commercial feed, a proposed fee structure to enhance the revenue generated from certain assessed fees, and additional sources of revenue for the Fund.
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

HB 1300

Delegate Hartman, et al

Chapter 473

BEACH EROSION CONTROL DISTRICT – STATE- AND CITY-OWNED STRUCTURES

Exempting the repair, renovation, reconstruction, and limited expansion of certain existing structures in the Beach Erosion Control District from a certain prohibition, under certain circumstances and subject to certain requirements; and repealing certain exemptions from a certain prohibition for the widening of the boardwalk in Ocean City and the construction of certain restroom facilities in the District.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 64

Chapter 474

Senator Carozza

BEACH EROSION CONTROL DISTRICT – STATE– AND CITY–OWNED STRUCTURES

Exempting the repair, renovation, reconstruction, or expansion of certain existing structures owned by the State or the Mayor and City Council of Ocean City in the Beach Erosion Control District from a certain prohibition under certain circumstances if the project does not result in any significant permanent environmental damage to the Beach Erosion Control District; and repealing certain exemptions from a certain prohibition for the widening of the boardwalk in Ocean City and the construction of certain restroom facilities in the District.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

HB 1140

Chapter 475

Delegate Adams, et al

NATURAL RESOURCES – VOLUNTARY FIREWOOD TREATMENT CERTIFICATION PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Voluntary Firewood Treatment Certification Program in the Department of Natural Resources to certify forest product operators who export firewood to other states and use heat treatment and other procedures to prevent the presence of wood boring pest infestations, wood inhabiting pests, and plant disease pathogens in firewood products.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 695

Chapter 476

Senators Carozza and Bailey

NATURAL RESOURCES – VOLUNTARY FIREWOOD TREATMENT CERTIFICATION PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT

Establishing the Voluntary Firewood Treatment Certification Program in the Department of Natural Resources to certify forest product operators who export firewood to other states and use heat treatment and other procedures to prevent the presence of wood boring pest infestations, wood inhabiting pests, and plant disease pathogens in the firewood products.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 476

Senator Hester, et al

Chapter 477

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MANUFACTURER’S LICENSES
AND OFF–SITE PERMITS – SUNSET EXTENSION**

Repealing the termination date for various provisions relating to alcoholic beverages manufacturer’s licenses and off–site permits, including provisions repealing specified permits and establishing a manufacturer off–site permit and brewery special event permit; extending the termination date for provisions relating to the authorization of holders of certain manufacturer’s licenses to sell and deliver and to directly ship their own alcoholic beverages products to certain individuals under certain circumstances; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 550

Delegates Watson and Brooks

Chapter 478

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MANUFACTURER’S LICENSES
AND OFF–SITE PERMITS – SUNSET EXTENSION**

Repealing the termination date for various provisions relating to alcoholic beverages manufacturer’s licenses and off–site permits, including provisions repealing specified permits and establishing a manufacturer off–site permit and brewery special event permit; extending the termination date for provisions relating to the authorization of holders of certain manufacturer’s licenses to sell and deliver and to directly ship their own alcoholic beverages products to certain individuals under certain circumstances; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

HB 40

Delegate Watson, et al

Chapter 479

**CONDOMINIUMS – DISCLOSURES TO UNIT OWNERS AND
PROHIBITED PROVISIONS IN INSTRUMENTS**

Clarifying that certain provisions of law related to closed–door meetings of a board of directors of a condominium do not allow the board to withhold or agree to withhold the terms of certain legal agreements from the unit owners; making unenforceable a certain contract unless the contract contains a certain notice; requiring a board to disclose to the council of unit owners any agreement by the board for the purpose of settling a disputed common element warranty claim at least 21 days before the execution of the agreement; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 121

Chapter 480

Senator Hester, et al

MARYLAND FARMS AND FAMILIES FUND, MARYLAND FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL RESILIENCY MECHANISM GRANT PROGRAM, AND MARYLAND FARM-TO-SCHOOL MEAL GRANT PILOT PROGRAM – ALTERATIONS AND ESTABLISHMENT

Altering the purpose and use of the Maryland Farms and Families Fund; establishing the Maryland Food and Agricultural Resiliency Mechanism Grant Program and Fund to provide grants to food banks and charitable emergency food providers to alleviate food insecurity; and establishing the Maryland Farm-to-School Meal Grant Pilot Program and Fund to award grants to eligible school districts that include a local food component in school meals and to incentivize the production, procurement, and provision of local foods in school meals.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 477

Chapter 481

Senators Hester and Rosapepe

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER – LEGAL DIVISION AND PRIVATE LETTER RULING PROCEDURES

Establishing a Legal Division in the Office of the Comptroller to provide expanded and detailed tax guidance to taxpayers and perform other duties relating to private letter rulings as assigned by the Comptroller; requiring the Comptroller to issue certain private letter rulings on the request of a person, except under certain circumstances; requiring the Comptroller when denying a private letter ruling request to provide the requestor with written reasons for the denial and to do so within 60 days of the request submission; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022

SB 630

Chapter 482

Senator Hester, et al

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – OFFICE OF RESILIENCE

Establishing the Office of Resilience in the Maryland Department of Emergency Management; requiring the Secretary of Emergency Management to appoint a Chief Resilience Officer to direct the Office of Resilience; and requiring the Office of Resilience to coordinate with appropriate State agencies and State entities to meet certain goals.
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022

SB 632

Senator Hester, et al

Chapter 483

**MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – SMALL
BUSINESS AND NONPROFIT HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDIES
PROGRAM – WORKGROUP**

Requiring the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange to convene a workgroup to study and make recommendations relating to the establishment of a Small Business and Nonprofit Health Insurance Subsidies Program to provide subsidies to small businesses and nonprofit employers and their employees for the purchase of health benefit plans; and requiring the workgroup to submit its report to the Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly by October 1, 2022.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2022

Pursuant to Article III, Section 52(6) of the Maryland Constitution, the following bill has been assigned a chapter number:

SB 290

The President (By Request – Administration)

Chapter 484

BUDGET BILL (FISCAL YEAR 2023)

Making the proposed appropriations contained in the State Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, in accordance with Article III, Section 52 of the Maryland Constitution; etc.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director